DEVICE FOR CLEANING UP OIL SPILLS

Intended for being coupled to the hull of a ship on each of the sides thereof and close to its bow, this device consists of an arm (1) materialized in a casing (8) with an almost semi-cylindrical configuration, inside of which a screw (10) is housed that moves the crude towards the hull of the ship, a casing stiffened by means of a plurality of back brackets (13) and open towards the front and upwardly, the arm having a float (21) on its free end and ending on its inner end in a collection tank (3) where the screw (10) unloads, where a transmission mechanism (22) is arranged that drives said screw from within the ship, as well as a pipe connected to a suction pump also arranged in the ship. Thus, when the ship moves forward the crude enters inside the casing (8) and within it is moved longitudinally towards the tank (3) from where it is aspirated into the ship.